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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a four-month extension of time be granted in which to file an Appeal Brief pursuant to the Notice of Appeal filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 16, 2010, the period of file being extended from May 16, 2010 to September 16, 2010. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed in lieu of the Appeal Brief.

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